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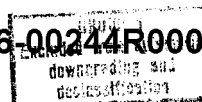
MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD:

SUBJECT: Meeting with Dr. John Tietjen, Director, Office of Medical Services

1. Dr. Tietjen was most interested in the work of the BPS and the nature of the possible construction resulting from the efforts of this Staff. He has a very deep interest in the betterment of the human being and in providing the best possible working atmosphere. He would prefer that the OMS be considered as an office dealing with human beings and not as a nest of machines, laboratories, x-rays, and the like. In his opinion too much is lost by creating an impression that the machines are the important business of the Agency. (He was referring to an apparent concentration on special purpose space.)
2. Dr. Tietjen believes that very careful thought should be given to the question of moving all elements in the outlying buildings, (other than sensitive operations), to the Headquarters "campus". He believes the Agency will have to maintain a reception area some place away from the Langley site, such as Rosslyn or the District, which is easily accessible to new employees and dependents. Any such reception area needs a medical facility. So to this extent he is not inclined to want to move the entire medical facility presently in the Ames Building, to Headquarters. Dr. Tietjen recognizes, however, that there will be some saving of OMS space in a consolidation of the type being planned because the medical rooms set up in each of the outlying buildings would not be required in a new Headquarters Building(s).
3. The testing programs which are now being carried out and the personnel and offices of the Assessment and Evaluation Staff, presently at 1000 Glebe Road, should be brought to Headquarters.
4. In addition to the above two points relative to the move, Dr. Tietjen reemphasized that at least the OMS, if not the rest of the Agency, should cast its image in human dimensions rather than in an inanimate machine form.
5. He raised an interesting point relative to employees and their dependents who are returned from overseas for medical, security, or other reasons. He is of the opinion that the Agency needs a transient area, such as a military reception area, where a family can be brought for a day or even a week or two while the responsible Headquarters component and the involved support component(s) can provide better assistance in a nearly secure area. He stated that we need such a facility right now. He believes that it is improper to make such a

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family, which in most cases has been uprooted abruptly and returned to the states, go out and fend for itself. It was pointed out that such an arrangement would be far better even though they would be expected to pay for the use of the quarters, than going to a downtown hotel or bunking with friends where controls and the necessary consultations and examinations are extremely difficult to carry out.

5. Dr. Tietjen named [REDACTED] Acting Chief, Support Division, OMS, as the OMS Building Planning Assistant. Dr. Tietjen was advised that when this Staff was ready to commence working with the OMS the first meeting should be held with him and [REDACTED] but wants to participate personally in considerations given to humanize the working environment.

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